

PALATIAL HOME BURNED DOWN

J. H. Winemiller's New
Residence Destroyed
By Early Fire.

LOSS REACHES \$50,000

Structure Was Still Under
Construction; Firemen
Could do Nothing.

Incendiaries are believed to have been responsible for the fire which early yesterday morning destroyed the new \$50,000 home of J. H. Winemiller, northeast corner of Frisco and Chicago places, which was nearing completion. The fire was discovered by A. R. Baber, a watchman, but before the alarm could be telephoned in, the flames had enveloped the entire dwelling and when firemen reached the scene the roof had already fallen in. The loss was at first estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000 but may reach as high as \$50,000, according to John V. Starr, architect.

Heavy concrete foundations under the brick superstructure may be damaged, Mr. Starr said, which would necessitate rebuilding of some of the walls which remained stand-

ing. The east wall was a total wreck and not a floor nor partition remained intact. Only the west and south porches remained undamaged, they being protected by being toward windward, the flames rapping hundreds of feet into the air even catching on the garage and servants quarters toward the east about 50 feet from the house itself. The loss is covered in part by \$15,000 in builders' insurance.

Firemen discredited the opinion of those familiar with the business of the owner of the house that the blaze was started by someone who had entered the house. A private detective who patrols the neighborhood stated that the flames seemed to appear first in a fireplace on the first floor, where a slow coal fire had been left burning to keep the place dry. The theory advanced by firemen who were early to arrive on the scene, was that the fire in the grate had caught on the wooden interior of the house and had thus started the destruction. Stanley Chastain, who is in charge of the construction of the house, denied that the fire which had been left in the house by workmen could have set the rest of the house afire. A wide layer of dirt, he said, had been placed around the fireplace.

The house was built of brick and a wide porch circled the south and west sides of the building. Plumbing had already been installed, part of the plastering finished, and steam pipes installed for the heating system. All of the iron and pipe, including electric cables and other fixtures, were sent crashing into a tangled mass with the roof caved in shortly before the fire wagon pulled up the hill. About \$500 worth of tools were lost by the workmen

employed at the house, Chastain announced. Neighbors said that they were awakened about 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning by a low hiss which seemed to come from the Winemiller house and noticed the bright glow which showed all over the city as the house burst into flames. All over the house, fire erupted from the windows a few minutes after 2 o'clock, a policeman who was in the neighborhood stated.

Rumors that the fire had been started by enemies of Mr. Winemiller could not be confirmed, only silent shakes of the head greeting queries as to how the catastrophe started.

BRINGS KRUSE TO TULSA

Man Arrested in Possession of Stolen Tulsa Auto Returned to Erie, Kan. L. H. Kruse, charged with the possession of an automobile in this city on December 25, the property of A. Buttry, was arrested in Erie, Kan., Wednesday night, according to advice received in this city yesterday and J. F. Burnett, local deputy sheriff, left to return the prisoner to Tulsa county for trial.

Kruse, arrested in the Kansas town in possession of the car, is held for the local authorities, and Buttry, owner of the car, left yesterday to return his property to this city.

No Battery to Be Formed.

Until enough experienced men are found, Tulsa will not have a battery of field artillery of national guardmen, it was decided at a meeting of the chamber of commerce club-rooms.

LITTLE IS DONE BY COMMISSION

Routine Occupies Attention at First Session of Year.

Four applications for the use of the Convention hall were granted by the mayor and the city commissioners at their meeting yesterday, which was the first meeting of the new year. On January 5, the hall will be used by the Adair Temple band and patrol for the purpose of presenting a ball. On January 14 it will be used by the same organization for a comedy drama and on February 13 the students will present a musical comedy. Members of the Tulsa Drama League reserved the hall for the presentation of musicals on the night of February 15. Only routine business demanded the attention of the commissioners at yesterday's meeting. Contracts for the improvement of sanitary sewer district No. 157, which were awarded to Tibbets & Pleasant, contractors, and the Southern Surety company, were approved and ordered executed. Final estimates of the city engineer on street improvement in district No. 223 were received and referred to the city attorney for proper legal procedure.

A petition of A. H. Perryman that he be given a final electrical inspection of his apartment house at 169-111 East Eighth, was granted. Per-

mission to construct a steel fire escape from the balcony of the Lyric theater, which is being remodeled, was also granted.

Accused of Stealing Lenses.

Moss, Butler, Charles Matthews and Sarah Matthews, charged with the larceny of lenses from the Hotel Tulsa prior to December 21, entered pleas of not guilty at their arraignment yesterday before Justice F. Gray and were committed to jail under bond of \$500 each on preliminary hearing January 12. The management of the hotel claims the defendants, employed at the hotel at different times, removed lenses to the value of \$71.55.

Says Defendant Not Guilty.

Charged with the larceny of coats and three singlets, valued at \$23, from the C. O. and Howard Frye construction camp west of this city December 20, Charles Beck and Lewis Thornton were dismissed at their preliminary hearing yesterday before Justice S. C. May, the prosecuting witness failing to appear against the men. Costs of the case were also assessed against the complainant.

NEED HELP IN CENSUS

Citizens Must Assist in Enumeration To Make Population Report Accurate.

Unless the citizens of Tulsa manifest sufficient interest in the federal enumeration now in progress the city is liable to show up short several thousand in the final report on the population of the city which will be made by the census bureau, so Clarence B. Douglas, managing director of the chamber of commerce informed the board at the Friday noonday luncheon.

In accordance with the recommendation of Mr. Douglas, an official advisory committee was appointed to assist the enumerators and urge upon all citizens the necessity of being enumerated. The committee consists of Eugene Lerrion, H. L. Jones and W. D. Moss, the press; John H. Miller, Tulsa real estate exchange; C. E. Huchner, Y. M. C. A.; E. E. Oberholzer, city school; W. A. Hayson, merchants' association.

WAGE HIKE GIVEN W. U. HERE

Tulsa Employees Receive 10 and 15 Per Cent Advance for New Year.

Manager H. B. Gale of the Tulsa office of the Western Union Telegraph company has received notice from the main office of the company giving a wage increase to his part of the \$2,000 employees recently granted an increase effective New Year's day on the company's pay roll all over the United States. All employees having been in the employ of the company more than a year were given an advance of 15 per cent and those having been employed more than six months but less than a year were advanced 10 per cent. Employees receiving more than \$250 per month were not affected by the raise. The increases in salaries given employees of the Western Union all over the country commencing January 1, amounted to more than \$5,000,000. About 50 employees will be affected by the raise in the Tulsa office, it was announced yesterday.

Arrests Negro on Theft Charge.

Seven girls, a negro accused of stealing seven automobile tires from the

Charles Jenkins Auto company December 17, was dismissed at the conclusion of his preliminary hearing yesterday before Justice S. C. May, the court holding the county attorney had not produced more than a suspicion that the defendant was the person who made away with the tires.

GET DAMAGES FOR EJECTION

Man Put off Train By Conductor Given Verdict of \$200 By Court.

Judgment for \$200 damages, as directed by the court, was returned by the jury in United States district court yesterday in the suit of J. Turner Horner against the Frisco railroad, on allegation of the plaintiff that he was wrongfully ejected from a Frisco train at Whiteoak, Okla., by a conductor.

Horner testified that at Frisco he purchased a ticket to Tulsa, but the conductor claimed the destination of the ticket read Vinland and the plaintiff was ejected from the train at Whiteoak, south of Vinland.

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Silk Poplin
Serviceable for dresses and skirts; 36 inches wide; plum, brown, gray, tan, green, light blue, maize, blue and white. Yard, special. .98c

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Also Wash Satin; 36 and 40 inches wide; beautiful quality for blouses and fine undergarments. The yard, special. .219

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A knitted silk fabric for smart blouses and skirts; 36 inches wide; in brown, maize and black; fine quality. Yard, special. .398

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Splendid quality plain Chiffon Taffeta for street and evening wear; white, black, light and dark shades; 36 inches wide. Yard, special. .229

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50 and 54-Inch Woolen Dress Goods—Novelty woolens and plain serges. Reduced to, special. .298

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Second Floor

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Linens

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Glass Toweling in good quality, in pink or blue check. Yard, special. .35c

Second Floor

Saturday Sale Toilet Goods

Mail orders for toilet goods should be accomplished by delivery charges in full, plus government tax of 1c for each 25c or fraction thereof.

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Good Home Furnishings

At Clearance Sale Prices

Small Lamps—Little table lamps with mahogany base and pink, blue or gold shades complete. .298

Curtain Valles—Eccu curtain valles with double borders; only 10 pieces to offer at, yard, special. .15c

Carpet Sweepers—Mahogany finish; splendid brush and double pans; sweeps like a high priced sweeper. .298

Fifth Floor

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COATS
Special
12.50

One special collection of coats for children 2 to 6 years old made of fine velours and broadcloth in pretty little styles; shown in navy, blue and Burgundy. Immediate clearance they are offered at 12.50 for choice.

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In this collection are three dozen coats of chamois cord, wool velours, broadcloth, novelty materials—styles for children and juniors in a good range of attractive colors and trimmings. All go at one-half their regular prices in this Clearance Sale. Every coat in this collection offers good service the balance of this season for dressy wear and may be worn next season for school and every day. All are excellently tailored and are coats of the better kind, each with its individual attraction.

Misses' Shop—Fifth Floor.

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Goods

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